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From: Jenkins, Laura Flynn
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Subject: RE: ORISE Looking to Help in Colorado

Colin:

Thanks for your interest in supporting the Gold King Mine response. I'm sorry I wasn't able to speak when you called but I was working on something in my cube with Paula Smith, my supervisor.

I've sent your email to Paula, as she is the PIO for Region 8 and just returned from Durango, to see who she might recommend as a possible contact for you. Our office handles inquiries from the press, other governmental organizations, and members of the public. However, we aren't directly involved in sampling or analysis.

I'll let you know what I hear from Paula.

Regards,

Laura Jenkins

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Hi Laura,

I'm the ORISE in the WSD who just called you in reference to trying to help out in some way with the Animas River spill response. Ideally, I would like to be involved with laboratory based aspects of the response where my chemistry background might be useful. That said, I realize this likely won't work due to certain restrictions, but I think any work pertaining to the response would likely provide a valuable learning opportunity.

Anyway, I was talking to Latisha about this possibility and Mike Goldberg overheard and recommended I contact you. If you could point me in the right direction by telling me who I should contact next it would be greatly appreciated!

Thanks for your time!

Colin

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